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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Brea – Car Drives Into Immigration Protest; Motorist Arrested
(U) A man drove his car through marchers yesterday at an immigrant rights rally, with one demonstrator jumping on the hood as the car lurched forward and then stopped. Police quickly surrounded the vehicle and arrested the man. None of the demonstrators sought first aid and no injuries are reported, according to Brea Police Chief Jack Conklin. Police believe that the driver was trying to get through the crowd and have no indication that he intended to do harm.
SOURCE: 26 October 2017, Associated Press

(U) Folsom – Police Seek Man Who Reportedly Walked Away From Folsom Prison Facility
(U) Folsom police are asking for the public's help finding a prisoner who is believed to have walked away from a minimum-security housing facility at Folsom State Prison. Todd Willis, 52, was last seen at 4:30 a.m. yesterday and was discovered missing during an inmate count later that morning, according to a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation news release. Willis is described as 6 feet 1 inch tall, weighing 270 pounds, with graying brown hair, brown eyes, and a tattoo on his chest.
SOURCE: 26 October 2017, Sacramento Bee

(U) San Francisco – Hackers Can Gain Access to Maritime Ship Data through a Built-In Backdoor
(U) Researchers have uncovered severe vulnerabilities in software used by thousands of maritime ships worldwide. The AmosConnect communication shipboard platform was found to have two critical security issues that could give attackers unfettered access to systems and information, according to the IOActive cybersecurity firm. The research team also discovered a backdoor equipped with system privileges, which would give attackers full system and administration privileges and the ability to remotely execute code on the AmosConnect server, said IOActive's principle security consultant.
SOURCE: 26 October 2017, ZDNet

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – President Trump Declares Opioid Crisis a Health Emergency
(U) Washington – President Trump directed the Department of Health and Human Services yesterday to declare the opioid crisis a public health emergency, taking long-anticipated action to address a rapidly escalating epidemic of drug use. This directive does not release any additional funds but does allow for some grant money to be used to combat opioid abuse, permit the hiring of specialists to tackle crisis issues, and expand the use of telemedicine services to treat people in rural areas affected by opioid use.
SOURCE: 26 October 2017, New York Times

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Russia – Pro-ISIS Group Threatens 2018 FIFA World Cup
(U) Moscow – A pro-ISIS media group released a poster on October 24 promoting terrorism directed towards the World Cup tournament, which will be hosted next summer in Russia. The poster, released

by Wafa Media Foundation, shows a doctored image of Argentina star Lionel Messi behind bars crying blood, along with words printed in both English and Arabic. ISIS has also threatened past soccer tournaments, including the 2016 European Championship and the 2017 Women's European Championships, both of which went off without incident.
SOURCE: 26 October 2017, Washington Post

(U) Turkey – Istanbul Police Detain Female ISIS Members
(U) Istanbul – Four members of ISIS were recently detained in Istanbul, according to police. The names of the detainees are not disclosed but three of them are women, the Istanbul police said in a released statement. Istanbul police earlier said that 117 operations were carried out in the city against ISIS members from August 2016 to August 2017, which resulted in 648 arrests and 940 deportations.
SOURCE: 27 October 2017, Trend News Agency

(U) United Kingdom – UK Police Arrest Neo-Nazi Members over Plot 'To Kill MP'
(U) London – British police have charged members of banned Neo-Nazi group National Action over an alleged plot to kill a British lawmaker. Police arrested six men who have all been charged with "belonging to a proscribed organization" contrary to the Terrorism Act. Greater Manchester Police did not name the alleged target of the plot in its statement, but Labour Member of Parliament Rosie Cooper thanked the force for "keeping me, my staff, and the public safe."
SOURCE: 27 October 2017, CNN

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Mexico City – Sinaloa Cartel Chief Financial Officer Arrested
(U) Sinaloa Cartel's chief financial officer, Félix "El Vic" Beltrán, who was hiding in a ninth-floor apartment in a Mexico City building was detained by Mexican police yesterday. "El Vic" led most of the cartel's finances, money laundering operations, heroin production, and export into the United States, and was regarded as a lieutenant for Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman's sons, Jesus Alfredo and Ivan Archivaldo Guzmán Salazar, both high ranking members of the Sinaloa Cartel.
SOURCE: 26 October 2017, Newsweek

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